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Dear Respondent:

This issue of the Idaho Crop and Livestock Producers' News contains the Statewide results of the April Cattle on Feed Survey.

This release is sent to survey participants in appreciation for their time spent responding to the survey. For more information contact us at nass-id@nass.usda.gov or at 1-800-691-9987. Thank you for reporting and your continued support.

Sincerely,

Vince Matthews
Director

Idaho Cattle on Feed Up 7 Percent

Cattle and calves on feed for the slaughter market in Idaho from feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head on April 1, 2011 totaled 220,000 head, up 7 percent from the previous year. The cattle on feed inventory is unchanged from March 1, 2011. Placements of cattle in feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head during March totaled 35,000 head, up 1,000 head from March 2010 placements. Marketings of cattle from feedlots with 1,000 head or more during March totaled 34,000 head, up 11,000 head from a year ago. Other disappearance totaled 1,000 head during March.

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 11.3 million head on April 1, 2011.

The inventory was 5 percent above April 1, 2010. The inventory included 7.12 million steers and steer calves, up 7 percent from the previous year. This group accounted for 63 percent of the total inventory. Heifers and heifer calves accounted for 4.10 million head, up 2 percent from 2010. Placements in feedlots during March totaled 1.92 million, 3 percent above 2010. Net placements were 1.87 million head. During March, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 380,000, 600-699 pounds were 360,000, 700-799 pounds were 588,000, and 800 pounds and greater were 590,000. Marketings of fed cattle during March totaled 1.99 million, 4 percent above 2010. This is the second highest fed cattle marketings for the month of March since the series began in 1996. Other disappearance totaled 52,000 during March, 13 percent below 2010.

Cattle on Feed: Number on Feed, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots

State	April 1, 2010	March 1, 2011	April 1, 2011		
			Number	As % of 2010	As % of March
	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Arizona	278	269	282	101	105
California	415	460	450	108	98
Colorado	930	1,070	1,090	117	102
Idaho	205	220	220	107	100
Iowa	600	650	650	108	100
Kansas	2,240	2,220	2,190	98	99
Nebraska	2,290	2,430	2,380	104	98
Oklahoma	340	360	355	104	99
South Dakota	235	265	265	113	100
Texas	2,640	2,840	2,780	105	98
Washington	171	208	211	123	101
Other States	398	407	404	102	99
United States	10,742	11,399	11,277	105	99

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